

## PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

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- ☒ Box No. I Basis of the opinion
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- ☐ Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- ☐ Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- ☒ Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- ☐ Box No. VI Certain documents cited
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**Box No. I Basis of this opinion**

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2. With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application and necessary to the claimed invention, this opinion has been established on the basis of:

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citations and explanations supporting such statement**

**1. Statement**

Novelty (N)	Claims	None	YES
	Claims	1-6	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	None	YES
	Claims	1-6	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-6	YES
	Claims	None	NO

**2. Citations and explanations :**

**1. Reference is made to the following documents:**

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**2. Novelty**

The subject matter of claims 1-6 of the present invention relates to a refrigerating machine oil for a compressor comprising: a lubricating oil applied on frictional surfaces to reduce friction thereon; and less than 1.0 wt% of carbon nano particulate like a fullerene and a graphite.

Document D1 cited in the International Search Report relates to the lubricant composition comprising a base oil selected from a group of mineral oil, animal and plant oil and synthetic oil and 0.1-5 wt.% of fullerene soot powder which contains 3-45wt.% of pure fullerene.

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Document D5 relates to the lubricating oil for compression-type refrigerators that anti-load additive such as fluorinated graphite is added.

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Claim 1-4, 6 of the present invention are similar to the lubricant composition or the lubricant containing a fullerene of Document D1 -D4. Claim 5 of the present invention is similar to the lubricating oil that anti-load additive such as fluorinated graphite is added.

Accordingly, the subject matter of claim 1-6 does not seem to be novel.(PCT Article 33(2)).

**3. Inventive Step**

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Thus, Claim 1-6 of the present invention is very easily modified from the Document D1- D5 by the skilled person in the art.

Therefore, claims 1-6 does not meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(3).

**4. Industrial Application**

The subject matter of claims 1-6 is considered to be industrially applicable under PCT Article 33(4).

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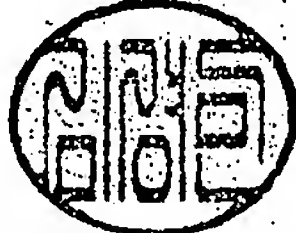
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